OPINION 62-17

May 29, 1962 (OPINION)

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

RE: Minors - Married Women

This office acknowledges receipt of your letter of May 14, 1962, in which you raise the question as to whether or not a married woman who is under 21 years of age may be served liquor in a licensed liquor establishment.

Replying to your question, I call your attention to section 5-05-04 of the North Dakota Century Code which reads as follows:

SEPARATION OF BAR - MINORS PROHIBITED. No licensee authorized to sell alcoholic beverages shall operate or maintain a bar on or over which alcoholic beverages are sold, furnished, or distributed in any room or rooms wherein food is served at tables for consumption on the premises. No person under twenty-one years of age shall be permitted in any room wherein is operated or maintained a bar on or over which alcoholic beverages are sold, furnished, or distributed." (Emphasis supplied).

From the above-quoted section, it is our opinion that no person under 21 years is to be permitted in a licensed liquor establishment irrespective of her being a single woman, or a married woman, or the head of a family.

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